

resulting vapors may be poisonous to humans, and they may damage nearby plants, crops or shrubbery; also, herbicides or defoliants containing chlorates may be a serious fire hazard when heated.

12. Glass herbicide containers should be disposed of by breaking. Chop holes in top, bottom, and sides of metal containers or crush them so they cannot collect water or be reused. After breaking or puncturing them, bury the containers at least 18 inches deep in an isolated area provided for this purpose, away from water supplies or high water tables. Records to locate such buried herbicides within the landfill site should be maintained. Post warning signs.

13. Safety programs developed for the safe handling and mixing of toxic chemicals should be coordinated with the Safety Office prior to implementation.

PART 274—PEST CONTROL PROGRAM FOR CIVIL WORKS PROJECTS

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APPENDIX A TO PART 274—PREVENTIVE SAFETY MEASURES IN HANDLING OF PESTICIDES

AUTHORITY: Pub. L. 92-516, Federal Insecticide, Fungicide and Rodenticide Act of 1972 (86 Stat. 973, 21 Oct 72, 40 CFR part 171, Federal Certification of Pesticide Applicators.

SOURCE: 42 FR 41118, Aug. 15, 1977, unless otherwise noted.

PROJECT OPERATION

§ 274.1 Purpose.

The purpose of this regulation is to assign responsibilities and prescribe procedures concerning the use of chemicals in the Corps pest control program at all civil works projects. It also presents guidance for the preparation and submission of an annual pest control summary report.

§ 274.2 Applicability.

This regulation is applicable to all OCE elements and all field operating agencies having Civil Works responsibilities.

§ 274.3 References.

(a) Pub. L. 92-516, Federal Insecticide, Fungicide and Rodenticide Act of 1972 (86 Stat. 973), 21 October 1972.

(b) Pub. L. 91-596, Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970 (84 Stat. 1609, 29 U.S.C. 668) 29 December 1970.

(c) Medical Surveillance Guide, U.S. Army Environmental Hygiene Agency, January 1975.

(d) Guide for the Medical Surveillance of Pest Controllers, U.S. Army Environmental Hygiene Agency, March 1976, as amended.

(e) Pesticide Applicator Training Manual, Cornell University, Ithaca, New York, September 1974.

(f) Plan for Certification of Pesticide Applicators, DOD, June 1976.

§ 274.4 Pesticide management.

(a) *Administration.* The Division Engineer is responsible for implementation of the program, and providing for the training of pest control personnel, safe use of highly toxic materials and the proper application of restricted-use pesticides. District programs will be reviewed by the Division Engineer for the selection of suitable pest control agents, up-to-date and economical methods of control, and the proper use and maintenance of pest control equipment. Field Operating Agencies (FOA) will designate a single point of contact for pesticide matters.

(b) *Personnel actions.* Pesticide duties will be identified in applicable job descriptions whether they constitute a major duty or not. Such job descriptions will also note the employees responsibility for using personal protective equipment and clothing provided and for following established health and safety practices and procedures. Standard Form 78 medical examination will be augmented by the specific diagnostic tests for the occupations identified in § 274.4(c). Prescribed preplacement medical examinations will be provided as part of the personnel action process before anyone is permitted to perform pesticide duties.

(c) *Medical surveillance.* Preplacement, periodic and pretermination medical examinations of the type and extent set forth in Section III, U.S. Army Environmental Hygiene Agency (USAEHA) "Guide for the